

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A connection element for attaching a planiform or dish-shaped component to a supporting structure having a retainer mounted thereon, preferably for attaching trim parts (2) to a structure (1) of an aircraft, the connection element comprising :

a holder (4) on the coupled to the component, on which retainer (4) an insertion pin held by the holder, (6) is held so as to be such that the insertion pin is adjustable to a limited extent at least vertically (Z -direction R_z) in at least a Z -translational direction in relation to [[the]] a surface of the component surface (21) and matches mates to a receiver coupled to (5) on the structure[[,]]; and the insertion pin has a trunnion portion, which the receiver (5) is made from is of an elastically deformable soft material with and having a first recess, [(53)] the first recess being contoured for receiving a trunnion portion of the for the insertion pin, [(6)], which recess (5) matches the contour of the insertion trunnion in such a way, having positive fit, that said insertion pin establishes providing a snap connection [[with]] between the receiver and the insertion pin; (5), wherein the receiver (5) on the structure comprises includes a support flange; (51), by means of which the support flange being capable of coupling with the retainer mounted on the structure such that the receiver fits flat against the retainer (51) said receiver rests flat against a holder (3) on the structure, and is adjustably held and attachable in the an XY-plane that is arranged substantially perpendicularly perpendicular in relation to the direction of connection (R_z) the Z -translational direction.

2. (Currently amended) The connection element of claim 1, further comprising a locking device, wherein the insertion pin is designed such (pin 65) that when it snaps into the attachment position of the receiver (5) it activates mechanical or hydraulic devices the locking device, (35, 55) that firmly clamping clamp the support flange (51) in the holder (3) on the structure within the retainer mounted on the structure, when the insertion pin is snapped in the recess of the receiver, wherein the locking device comprises a mechanical mechanism or a hydraulic mechanism.

3. (Currently amended) The connection element of ~~one of claims 1 or 2~~, wherein the receiver (5) ~~comprises further comprising a second recess contoured for receiving the trunnion portion of the insertion pin, two recesses (53) for the insertion trunnion (6), which recesses (53) are spaced apart the second recess being disposed at a distance from each other the first recess in the Z-translational direction.~~
4. (Currently amended) The connection element of ~~any one of claims 1 to 3, claim 1~~, wherein the adjustability of the insertion pin (6) in the Z-direction is achieved by means of a screw thread (41) ~~the insertion pin has a screw thread for adjusting in the Z-translational direction.~~
5. (Currently amended) The connection element of claim 1, further comprising an anchorage part coupled to the insertion pin, wherein the anchorage pin has a screw thread for coupling with the holder, ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 4, wherein the screw thread (41) is arranged between the holder (4) on the component and anchorage part (42) of the insertion pin (6).~~
6. (Currently amended) The connection element of ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 5, 5,~~ wherein the insertion pin (6) is ~~coupled with held in the~~ anchorage part by means of a ball joint.
7. (Currently amended) The connection element of ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 6~~, wherein ~~the retainer includes a retention plate and the support flange of the receiver is capable of being retained by the retention plate attachment, of the receiver (5) on the structure, to the support flange (51) takes place by means of a retention plate (32) that is attachable to the holder (3) on the structure.~~
8. (Currently amended) The connection element of ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 7, further comprising a U-shaped clamp, wherein the receiver includes at least one~~

anchorage, and the U-shaped clamp is insertable into the upright anchorage such that the trunnion portion is capable of being secured in the first recess, wherein the receiver (5) comprises anchorages (52) preferably on the support flange (51), through which anchorages a U-shaped securing clamp (54) can be inserted into the body (56) of the receiver (5), wherein the spacing (A) of the U-limbs matches the diameter (D) of the base (66) of the insertion pin (6) such that it is not possible to pull the insertion trunnion out while the securing clamp is in place.

9. (Currently amended) The connection element of any one of the preceding claims 1 to 8, wherein the soft material of the receiver (5) is an elastomer.
10. (New) The connection element of claim 2, wherein the locking device includes an intermediate pin, and the intermediate pin contacts the insertion pin, when the insertion pin is inserted in the first recess, such that the intermediate pin firmly clamps the support flange within the retainer.